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## Regents explain '90 fee hike

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The Board of Regents recently voted to raise tuition at Northwest for the 1990-91 academic year.

Northwest, currently one of the more inexpensive universities in the area, did not raise tuition between the years 1984 and 1987 because of the area farm crisis, Dean Hubbard, president of Northwest, said.

At the time of the crisis, an agreement was made with the Coordinating Board of Higher Education so that tuition would not have to be raised during the crisis. However, after the crisis Northwest would have to increase tuition to match other area universities.

In an average year, tuition raises according to the Higher Education Price Index, which stays between 1.5 and 2 percent above the regular Consumer Price Index each year, according to Hubbard.

Because Northwest did not

raise tuition during the farm crisis it has to be raised now.

Hubbard says he would like to keep tuition as low as possible and raising it to meet other Missouri schools is not his idea.

"It is no goal of mine. I would like to keep it as low as possible," he added.

Hubbard went on to say that he would like to be able to keep tuition from raising. "I don't care (if other Missouri schools raise tuition). That's their problem," he said.

In order to catch up to other Missouri schools, Northwest must raise tuition by 10 to 12 percent each year until the costs are more comparable.

Since 1986 Northwest has increased tuition by only 46 percent, the lowest increase in the state, while other schools have risen at a faster rate, Hubbard said.

In that same time, Southeast Missouri State has raised tuition 48.6 percent,

Southwest Missouri State's tuition rose 49.1 percent, the fees at Central Missouri State rose 60.1 percent while the highest tuition increase took place at Northeast Missouri State where it rose 62 percent since 1986.

According to Hubbard, the state only provides 28 percent of the costs to run a state university and expects the institution to raise the other 78 percent through tuition.

Hubbard does not feel that the raise in tuition will cause a drop in enrollment.

"When we survey students and ask them why they chose Northwest, the most important reason is the electronic campus. That would be the quality of education. Second most popular reason is that it is close to home, and then not expensive," he said.

He went on to say that he felt students at Northwest were not just looking for a cheap bargain, but a quality education.

Hubbard said that he

would like to reach an agreement with the new director of the Coordinating Board, Dr. Charles McClain, but has not yet had an opportunity to talk to him.

"We are in the midst of discussing the budget, so I won't get a chance to talk to him until after the first of the year," he added.

The increase in tuition will be added into next year's budget.

"Salaries will increase. The cost of supplies, such as paper and heat, are up. They never go down. And the amount of scholarships will increase," Hubbard said.

The amount of scholarships available will increase from \$1.9 million to \$2.2 million next year, a 14.2 percent increase.

The achievement scholarships, such as the Regents Scholarship, University Scholar Award and departmental scholarships, will increase from \$782,410 this year to \$943,650 during the

1990-91 year.

In that same time, housing awards for Resident Assistants, Head Resident Assistants, international students and Presidential Awards will rise from \$231,980 to \$245,215.

The \$342,474 awarded this year for athletic grants for outstanding athletes will increase to \$370,856 while service and activity awards for students in leadership positions will receive \$45,500 next year compared to the \$43,670 received during the 1989-90 year.

University-affiliated scholarships, such as the Alumni Scholarship, will now be awarded \$44,892 while this year's figure was \$32,532 and \$550,000 in private scholarships will not be available, compared to this year's \$480,000.

Of the total, \$1,650,113 is being provided from institutional funds while \$550,000 will come from private sources.

## Tower awarded Pacemaker; Widmer inducted as officer

GENE MORRIS  
Sports Editor

Northwest's Tower Yearbook received its second consecutive Pacemaker Award Nov. 19 during the Associated Collegiate Press National Convention in New Orleans, LA.

The Pacemaker is given to the top yearbooks in the nation every year. The 1988 Tower was among the top eight in the nation while the book the previous year was in the top six.

The Tower advisor, Laura Widmer, was also honored after being elected to a two-year term as vice-president of the College Media Advisors (CMA).

"The most rewarding part (of the award) is seeing the students receive the ultimate award for their hard work," Widmer said. "It's great for them that their hard work has paid off and they are recognized nationally for it."

Widmer took a leave of absence from the University that year and Carole Gieseke became yearbook advisor.

Even though Widmer took a leave she played a key role in the yearbook, according to Tower editor Cara Moore, who was the book's assignment editor for the 1988 book.

"She called us every week to see how things were going," Moore said. "Laura directed us long-distance that year. She was a very big part of the yearbook."

Moore said it is hard to look upon Widmer as an advisor.

"Laura is such a close personal friend and we spend so much time together it is hard to see her as an advisor. She is an extremely dedicated individual and is always going the extra mile. She is our motivator, friend, psychologist and advisor."

Moore had her own ideas about the significance of the award.

"The neatest thing for me was it (the award) was our second one in a row. I felt I put more into the second one than I did into

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Good English—John Waite of Bad English belts out a song during the group's Nov. 21 concert at Lamkin Gym. The group played songs from their self-titled debut album. Photo by Todd Weddle.

## President's report reveals changes for Northwest

LISA LANDIS  
News Editor

Changes and future plans were topics discussed in the recently-released President's report.

The report, titled "The Culture of Quality: President's Report 1984-1989," was authored by President Dean Hubbard, who has been with Northwest since 1984.

In his report Hubbard writes about improving undergraduate education, the revised general education program, assessment of performance and student enrollment.

One of the things included in the Culture of Quality document is admissions. As of now Missouri students are admitted if they are in the top two-thirds of their class or have obtained an ACT score of 18. Out-of-state students must have a higher ACT score to be admitted. Hubbard said that this policy has been "assigned by legislation in past history."

Hubbard said that different schools have different policies. For instance, community and state colleges have open admissions which allows anyone to be enrolled. Regional universities are allowed to set minimal standards.

"I am biased for this institution to give students a chance to go to college in this region," Hubbard said.

He went on to explain one of the new aspects of the Culture of Quality, which would be to have a sophomore evaluation. This would mean that after taking required core classes and before a sophomore could continue his education, he would have to take an evaluation test.

This also means that students would have to take certain classes before they could move ahead. The core classes in-

cluded in this would be oral communications, writing, critical thinking, computer literacy and math.

"We want to give every student a chance to go to college," Hubbard said. "This is more humane and academically sounder to other academic standards. I would say that most of the students would pass the evaluation but a few we would have to say that we can't help them. Then there would be some that we would be able to help by assigning classes to improve their skills."

Hubbard went on to say this program would allow students and faculty to see whether or not the student should continue with the program they are under. He said that this would give the student a chance to change their mind. The Faculty Curriculum Committee and the Faculty Senate have passed it and the administration is planning to give it a "pilot" test by next year.

The report also mentions how Northwest ranks as compared to other schools. According to an ACT survey the Northwest faculty rank higher than national norms on every measure of performance in the survey.

Questions on the survey included testing/grading system, course content in major field, instruction in major field, out-of-class availability of instructors and attitude of faculty towards students.

"The students like what they are getting," Hubbard said. "The faculty cares about the students. It reinforces that we can do it—we can be an unique institution—a quality institution."

Another new point would be including a senior thesis/project requirement. Ac-

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## Newsbriefs

### Student found dead

Northwest freshman Todd Michael Van Ert was found dead by his friends in their apartment this weekend.

Dr. Earl Seibert, Nodaway County coroner, said the 18-year-old died from a self-inflicted shotgun wound early Friday morning.

Funeral services were held on Monday at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in North Platte, NE.

Van Ert was born in North Platte, NE and was an undecided major at Northwest.

Survivors of Van Ert are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Van Ert, two sisters and one brother.

### Kroft cancels lecture

Steve Kroft of "60 Minutes" has been forced to cancel his lecture appearance at Northwest.

The circumstances surrounding his cancellation are due to the unexpected announcement of a summit meeting between President George Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

Kroft will be covering the summit as a special segment for "60 Minutes."

Kroft was scheduled to speak on Dec. 1 but will now be rescheduled along with the Department of Mass Communications' Media Day for a Friday in February.

The exact date and time will be announced at a later date.

### Dizney reception held

A reception in honor of both Dr. Desmond and William Dizney's retirements will be held Friday, Dec. 8.

Desmond Dizney has been the doctor at the Student Health Center and a contributing musician while William Dizney has been the administrator for student affairs.

The Dizneys have been part of the Northwest faculty since 1977. Their retirements will be effective Dec. 30.

The reception will be held at the University Club North-South in the J.W. Jones Student Union from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and is open to anyone.

### Fraternity wins award

The Delta Chi fraternity has won their organization's President's Cup for the third time in the last five years.

The President's Cup is an award given annually to only two Delta Chi chapters in the nation. There are more than 110 chapters that qualify for this award.

To qualify for the President's Cup, Delta Chi had to participate successfully in all aspects of campus life. The fraternity was judged and received commendations for Homecoming, rush, philanthropy, intramurals, pledgeship and alumni relations.

The fraternity was also awarded the National Award of Excellence. This is the 11th consecutive year Delta Chi has won this honor.

### Center offers program

The Mary Linn Performing Arts Center will be presenting Handel's Christmas classic, "The Messiah."

The performance is scheduled for Dec. 3 and will feature the St. Joseph Symphony, Northwest's University Chorale and choral groups from Missouri Western State College and Conception Abbey Seminary, as well as a St. Joseph Community Choir. The performance will be at 3 p.m.

Tickets for the program are \$5.00 for adults, \$4.00 for Northwest faculty and staff and \$3.00 for students. Tickets are currently on sale at the Mary Linn Box Office from 1-4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### Speaker gives seminar

Dr. Terry Barnes, director of the Culture of Quality Project at Northwest, has announced the scheduling of a "Critical Thinking and Educational Reform" workshop.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Richard Paul, director of the Center for Critical Thinking and Moral Critique at Sonoma State University, Rohnert Park, CA.

The workshop will begin Dec. 1 in the Stockmen's Room of J.W. Jones Student Union at 9:00 a.m. with Paul heading a round table discussion.

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## Greeks complete service project



Winter Check Up—A member of the Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity shows members of Phi Mu Sorority car maintenance for the winter. Photo by Dean Carlson.

DEAN CARLSON  
Contributing Writer

Members of the Phi Mu Sorority can now face the rigors of winter driving with greater confidence because of the Alpha Gamma Rho workshop.

The fraternity hosted an automotive maintenance workshop for approximately 40 members of the sorority Tuesday, Nov. 21.

Using four cars and two pickups, fraternity members demonstrated how to do a variety of maintenance checks on the vehicles. Among the procedures demonstrated were

checking the engine oil level, water and anti-freeze level, transmission fluid level, air filter condition and how to use booster cables. They also demonstrated the proper way to change a tire.

"This was a chance for us to get to know the guys and at the same time learn something about our cars," Julie Mock, Phi Mu president, said.

The Phi Mus originally came up with the idea, Mock said, as a way of completing a service project. This is the first year for it, Mock said, but she hopes it will become an annual event.



# Students organize with Amnesty International



Sending A Message—Drawings of different tortures for political prisoners were displayed recently at Colden Hall.

The Northwest chapter of Amnesty International is a supporter of uncruel punishments. Photo by Jane Lauer.

KATHY BARNES  
Staff Writer

Northwest has a group of students who have organized in the name of human rights.

Amnesty International is an apolitical, world-wide organization that is based on three mandates from the Declaration of Human Rights of 1948.

The first states that all prisoners of conscience should be released of conscience. A prisoner is anyone persecuted non-violently because of his beliefs.

The second mandate entitles all prisoners (violent or not) to a fair and prompt trial.

The third mandate states that all executions will stop including the disappearances, torture and death of prisoners.

"We have been involved in the abolition of the death penalty since April. We believe the death penalty to be cruel and inhumane, and an insult to the human race," Jon Freeland, treasurer of Amnesty International on campus, said.

Amnesty International was

founded in 1961 when British reporter, Peter Benenson, who was working in England, heard of two Portuguese men who raised their glasses for a toast for freedom and were thrown in jail for their beliefs.

Freeland said that members are supposed to write letters to other governments, ambassadors, senators, presidents, prisoners or their guards and express concern in a peaceful manner. Amnesty International serves as "a light-house to let others know we care," Freeland said.

The midwest office is located in Chicago. It serves as a base to send out information on specific testaments and reports from many sources about these prisoners of conscience.

Members of Amnesty International write brief, concise letters hoping to make a difference.

"Idealistically and realistically, if only one person is saved, then we've helped," Freeland said.

Mindy Frazier founded the Northwest chapter of Amnesty International over a year ago. Because it is a relatively young

chapter, they have not been actively involved, but are hoping the future to organize in order to see results.

The students recently set up a display against the death penalty in Colden Hall hoping to gain student awareness.

Freeland feels that the whole purpose of Amnesty International is to see that human rights are upheld in respect including the right of expression, speech and demonstration.

Amnesty International will be hosting a concert in the Spanish Den on Friday, Dec. 1 from 3:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Live bands from the Kansas City area will be performing as a fundraiser for the organization. The dance is sponsored by KDLX, CAPs and Student Senate.

Amnesty International is open for any student to join and hopes to increase the interest among international students at Northwest. "Ignorance is our worst enemy. We can't unite if we don't understand each other," Freeland said.

## Report

cording to the report this means "seniors will be required to present and defend before a group of peers a thesis or project." A one-hour, integrative senior seminar is being recommended for this purpose.

Hubbard said he would like to see this done by the individual departments. He said a good example is what the music department is doing now which is a senior recital.

In his own experiences in college, Hubbard had to do a group study that eventually presented a paper as part of the requirement instead of an advanced standing program.

One subject, though not new to the campus, has created tension among the students and the faculty. This concerns the length-

ening of the school semester. The semester was lengthened to 17 weeks. According to Hubbard this will eventually add an additional 16 weeks to the typical four-year college experience.

"In all actuality, this is not a lengthening of the semester but a restoration," Hubbard said. "In 1970 when quarters were changed to semesters the calendar had its first drop. Since then it has kept going down."

Hubbard added that the minimum was 150 days but has since been increased to 170 days. When Hubbard started this program, Commissioner Shaila Aery said that it would make students not want to come to Northwest.

"I said that was making two assumptions. One, that students don't want to learn and two, the

When mentioning the advances of the Geography department with the computer labs Hubbard said educational programs are not uniformly budgeted. He did mention that the department did have their budget doubled.

faculty does not want to teach. I cannot believe that to be true," Hubbard said.

He said that one of the main reasons that students choose Northwest is because of the Electronic Campus. Since computer literacy will be a required course for students there will need to be teachers able to teach it along with proper funding.

Hubbard said that he was happy that the Geography department has improved in its ranking in the nation and that he would

like to see all departments reaching for higher goals. But he said that regardless of improvements, he cannot "hand out more money on that basis." He said it is based only on need.

"Dollars don't follow credit and size. Increasing is not linear," Hubbard said. "Within a given program it is to some advantage to have small classes within a major and then also have a few large classes. But this has to be determined by need, money and space."

Hubbard said that he has been happy with the changes so far, but he said that change must come gradually.

"It is time that state universities are allowed to increase their standards and be just as good if not better than private colleges," Hubbard said.

## Tower

the first and really felt what it was like to be a Pacemaker. The second one meant a little more to me."

Widmer said the reason the yearbook earned the Pacemaker was the students.

"The students' dedication made the difference," she said. "They were willing to improve and make a quality yearbook."

Tower's managing editor Teresa Mattson, who was a staff writer for the yearbook in 1988, said the experience is just as important as the award.

"The most rewarding part of being involved with the yearbook is training new staff writers," she said. "We all understand what has to be done and work

together. It is interesting because a variety of people come together to produce the publication."

She said many of them probably would have never met each other otherwise.

Members of the 1988 Tower Yearbook editorial staff were Kevin Fullerton, Editor in Chief; Debby Kerr, managing editor; Moore, assignment editor; Colletta Neighbors, design editor; Mike Dunlap, copy editor; Ron Alrough, photo editor; Sarah Frerking, photo editor; Kevin Sharpe, production assistant; Debbie Hunzinger, promotions editor; Janice Rhine, index editor; Art Donley, darkroom technician and Gieseke, advisor.

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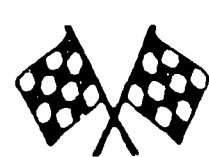
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OUR  
VIEWBenefits or  
burnout?

## Lengthened calendar causes problems

After celebrating a nice Thanksgiving weekend it is time to start the countdown for Christmas. And while students are thinking about last minute papers and preparing for finals, our Administration is thinking about the Culture of Quality.

They say that in order to be getting the most out of our education we need to spend more days in class. In doing so, the travel day for Thanksgiving was cut, leaving some who live outside of the four state region strapped for time—some even had to stay here. There were those who had to leave because of previous travel arrangements. This means that some were penalized for trying to get home to their families. Thanksgiving was meant to be spent with your family, not to be stuck on campus. This also applies to all the faculty who probably had family that they wanted to visit. Does the Administration not know that Thanksgiving traveling is one of the worst times of the year to be out on the road? Many accidents happen during this time.

The other stipulation is the time allotted for Christmas vacation. Last year finals were just getting over a few days before Christmas and we returned for verification on the 17th and 18th of January. This year we return for verification on the 8th and 9th of January. For those who work during the holiday this change leaves little time to make money before Christmas and little time after to make money or to share time with family and friends.

All in the name of better education.

Does it really make a difference if we go 168 days, theoretically speaking, than if we go 180 days? Probably not. And if so then why do we not have class during Homecoming for "Walkout Day?" Is Homecoming tradition more important than spending time with family and friends? Does not going to class on this day inhibit the learning process?

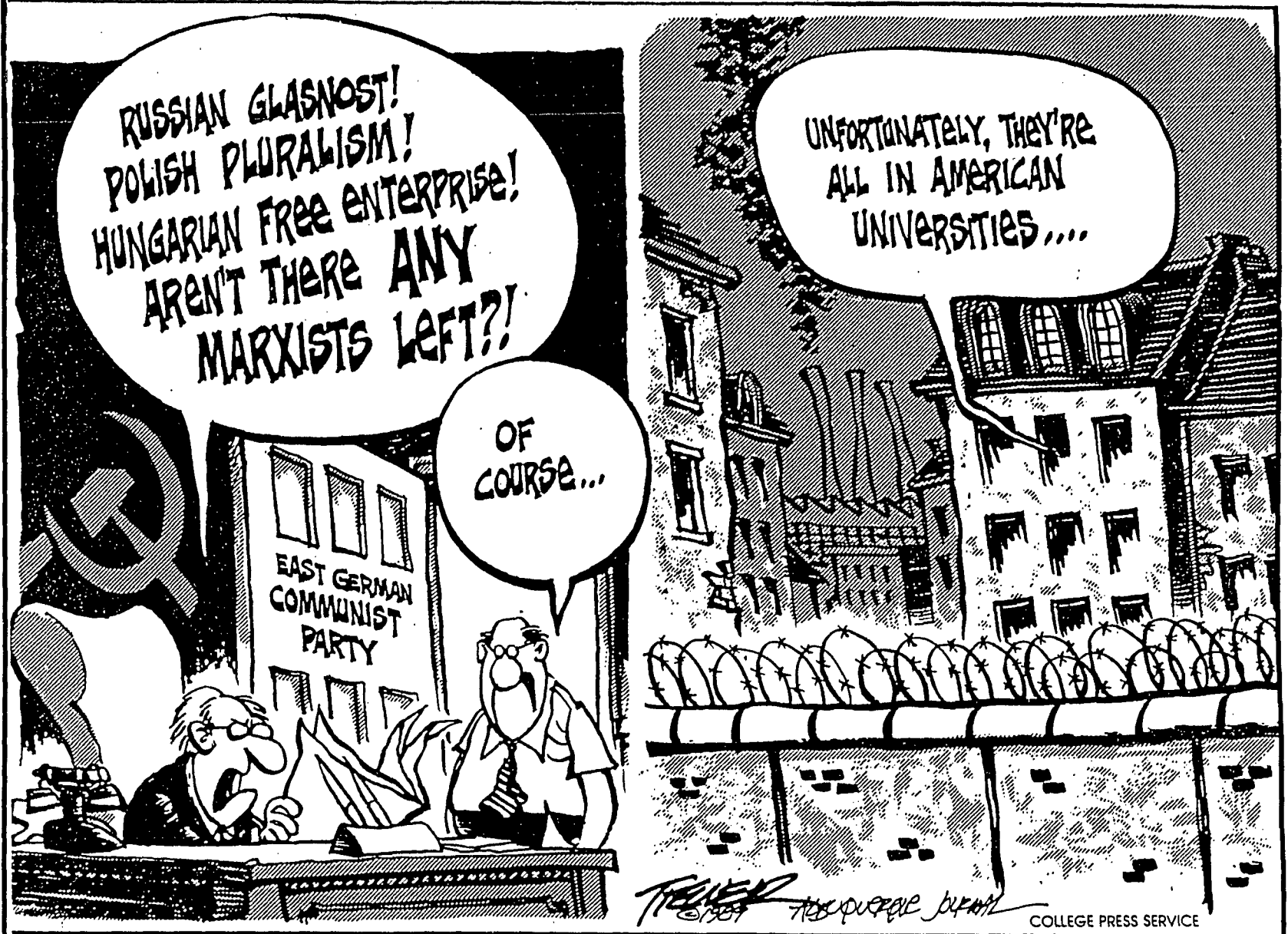
In other terms, when does an extra day here and there help the students? Considering that many leave that day anyway, how does it benefit them? Does it make any great difference in the faculty and staff's paychecks? Or is it because every other state university in Missouri is doing it?

By the way, the calendar for next year did not change anything from this year's plans. Only the dates have changed but there is still that same allotted time. Is the Culture of Quality someday coming to the point where it finds it necessary to eliminate holidays all together? Will we be going for 10 months instead of nine?

Another consideration needs to be made towards stress and burnout. While the Administration arguments have said that the students would get stress and burnout no matter what week we ended the semester—someone has to realize that the stress comes from the amount of work we do. The truth of the matter is papers and projects are declared at the beginning of the semester but are not explained until it is near the end of the semester. Not only that, but the information needed for these papers and projects is not given at the beginning but throughout the semester. So why prolong the effect?

All in all the quality of our education is not going to be based on extra time so much as how well we manage it. If we get this "extra" semester, are we really going to benefit from extending our college career or will we benefit from making sure our progress is equally balanced with reduced stress?

Too late, the question has already been answered.



## Famous cookie-maker under stress

SEAN GREEN  
Staff Writer

The other day I was watching the big screen television in the deli, trying to figure out why the picture is so hard to see when you are not directly in front of the set when a girl sat down beside me.

After the initial shock of this unprecedented event I began to get curious. Her green T-shirt and visor informed me that she worked in the deli.

She had long, blond hair that straggled down from under the visor and fell carelessly across her drooping shoulders. There was an exhausted appearance on her face and as she lit a cigarette she gave me a "don't bother me" look.

I realized this person needed cheering up so I tried to start a conversation. At first she was

reluctant but soon warmed up and told me her story. For the sake of saving space I will leave out some of her more colorful adjectives.

When she told me her name was Gretel I instantly recognized her. Her picture is on those bags of cookies they sell at the deli. I remembered having read her story on one of those bags and asked her how she had gone from making cookies in the forest to working here.

She told me that one day she was in her cottage, baking a fresh batch of oatmeal and raisin, when ARA called. They told her that they had overspent their budget when they remodeled the Spanish Den and that she was out of a job.

Determined not to let this twist of fate get her down, she decided to go to college at Northwest

and learn a trade. From here her story became even more tragic.

To begin with, she had to deal with dorm life. The quiet hours were never observed, her computer broke down and it took three months to get it fixed, her roommate had a different guy in their room every night (and morning) and fire alarms were constantly going off in the middle of the night.

So she moved off campus, which solved some problems but created others. Parking, for example, was a nightmare. She told me she had to hock a family heirloom to get a permit but it was a waste of money because all the parking spaces were always taken anyway.

She said she had to spend Thanksgiving in Maryville because she could not afford to fly home for two days so there was

no vacation. I suggested that she run for election on the Board of Regents and then she could have all the free vacations she wanted but she failed to see the humor in that.

Finally she told me she was working in the deli because tuition was going up again next year and she needed the extra \$500 it would take to stay in school.

But, alas, her break was over and she had to go back to work. She told me that it had been nice to share her burden and I told her that her's was maybe the saddest story I had ever heard.

As she stood to leave she left me with a little advice.

"If you have to choose between complaining about the University and kicking a dead horse," she said, "pick the horse. It's more productive and will generally have more entertainment value."

## Campus Man worried about tradition

Well, Your Campus Man is back from another (albeit short) Thanksgiving break and is looking forward to that wonderful Christmas break. What is it they are giving us this year—is it one week or not quite that long?

Anyway, after a long weekend of eating, stuffing and more eating, Our Hero is ready to face the remaining two weeks of classes and move on to his seventh semester as a senior.

That seems so hard to believe. It seems like only yesterday that the beginning of a new decade was going on while at the same time Your Man was beginning his college career. The cliché that time flies is sure true.

There is something seriously troubling Your Hero. It seems that our own Bobby Bearcat is being defaced in the name of nutrition. In the Towerview cafeteria, on practically every table, is a little flier with a nutrition rule number seven. This rule pertains

to drinking alcohol in moderation. But that is not the part that worries Our Campus Chronic Worrier. What bothers Our Hero is that on these fliers is a picture of Bobby Bearcat, only it is not the same Bobby Bearcat we see at the athletic events or during



Homecoming. This Bobby Bearcat is pictured as female and is pregnant!

What a blow to the young minds of Northwest! To be raised all these years with one image of Bobby Bearcat—an image that oftentimes produced feelings of patriotism, loyalty and the American way—and now, to see that portrayal of gross distortion. To think that our Bobby was a sex kitten who got a little out of hand

with his—er, her drinking and is paying the consequences. What an awful thought, and a worse way for Northwest to be represented.

All in the name of nutrition.

Since this is the remainder of the school term, Your Hero has become a little more observant in his surroundings. For instance, those same girls that looked so hot at the beginning of the semester, those hot babes in the "take me now" fashions, are now those same girls we are seeing running around in loose, ugly sweats and their hair tied back.

What happened to the freshman stigma of wanting to go out with an older college man? What about those other girls who always try to compete with each other and see who can look the hottest? Is it gone? Was there something in the weekend news Our Man missed? What a depressing way to finish the semester.

Wait a minute! Your Hero, for the tenth straight year, has missed the first snowfall of the year and, as such, is still not a co-ed. What a bummer. But the question arises: who is the judge of what constitutes the first snowfall? Is it the first sign of solid precipitation or does it have to be the really good, packable stuff?

And who can prove that all these people are actually co-eds? What stops some poor, decrepit dude with no friends from going around and telling everyone he made out with some gorgeous chick on this old rickety bridge and is the biggest stud on campus? Hey, that sounds like a great idea! The heck with this looking for an either drunk or incredibly blind young vixen to accompany Your Man to the Kissing Bridge to do the Co-Ed thing. Now He will just make it up and pretend that some luscious blonde is actually hot for him.

What a country!

## Letters

## Letter promotes safe driving

Dear Editor,

There you are, heading south on Highway 71, and there he is, some fool going 55. He is either unable to go faster or just refuses to go faster. You are frustrated because he is keeping you from getting where you want to go and doing what you want to do. Frustration brings up contempt and anger. That is not the time to make a decision.

Now is the time to decide. It is like practicing safe sex. You make the decision now, so when your emotions are turned up to roll volume, you do not have to try to decide.

A calculator will show that for the entire distance between Maryville and I-29, the time difference between 55 and 70 is only eight minutes. Eight minutes! Eight minutes longer may seem like an eternity, but what can you do in eight minutes? You can watch at least eight minutes of commercials every half hour of television. You can wait that long for class to start. In eight minutes you could try to explain to the injured or dying why you passed on a hill or a curve. In a lifetime of millions of minutes you might even justify that decision to yourself.

Take eight minutes right now to decide. You can make it up on the way home.

Gary L. Tabony

## Northwest Missourian

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Shake On It—Dave Adams, the president of the College Media Advisers, shakes the hand of the new vice president, Laura Widmer. She was elected to a two-year term. She is the advisor of the Tower Yearbook. Photo by JoAnn Bortner.

Setting the pace

## Widmer elected to national office

SCOTT ALBRIGHT  
Features Editor

Laura Widmer said that she has always been "challenge-oriented," striving to do things that others say cannot be done. "If somebody thinks that something cannot be done, then I will try to do it," she said.

Widmer, a 1979 graduate of Northwest, has been elected vice-president of College Media Advisers (CMA). She will serve a two-year term which began at the end of the 1989 CMA Convention in New Orleans, La., November 19.

She received her bachelor of science degree in English and journalism from Northwest in 1979 and went on to get her master of science degree in journalism and mass communication from Iowa State University in 1983. She has also worked professionally in advertising and public relations.

For the last six years Widmer has been an instructor of mass communication and student publications adviser at Northwest. She has been a member of CMA since 1983 and has served as chairperson of the college yearbook committee since 1986.

In April of this year she received 155 votes in the balloting for vice-president of CMA and has recently began her two-year term for that office.

This position not only introduces new challenges for Widmer, but also provides an outlet for her most prominent characteristic, that being her innate desire to make things better.

"I want to accomplish everything," Widmer said. "I am able to motivate people quite well and because of this I believe I can make a difference."

Her duties as vice-president will include public relations for CMA and serving as a professional media communicator between CMA and the professional media industry making CMA better equipped to prepare students for their careers in the mass media. She will also be responsible for carrying out other specific duties as directed by the CMA president.

According to Widmer, a large part of her success is due to her students, especially those she has advised on the Tower yearbook, which has been an All-American yearbook since 1984 and which has received the

Associated Collegiate Press (ACP) Pacemaker Award for outstanding college yearbooks in 1987 and 1988.

"I have been very fortunate to have students and staff who are hard-working," she said. "These students have challenged me as an adviser and, in turn, challenged themselves to do their best."

She added that the yearbook's success has put her in a better spotlight and has given her recognition she probably would not have received otherwise.

Being in this spotlight has not only benefited Widmer, but also the University, she said.

"The University supported me in running for this national office and I am grateful for that," Widmer said. "Whenever my name goes out as vice-president of CMA, Northwest's name is attached which is good for all involved."

Widmer is also the director and founder of the College Yearbook Workshop and Idea Forum held every July. She said that this workshop is an "alternative to others in that it gives the students hands-on experience in all phases of putting together a quality yearbook."

"I was tired of hearing my students say that they weren't learning anything at other workshops," she said.

In addition to the workshop for college yearbook staffs, Widmer has developed one for high school students, also held in July in Kansas City, and gives these students experience beneficial for working on college yearbooks.

Widmer said that she is always looking for new projects and likes to keep busy. She believes that being vice-president of CMA will keep her busy and give her the opportunity to try out new ideas.

"I am not afraid to work," Widmer said. "As vice-president of CMA I want to do as much as I possibly can for the betterment of college media."

Widmer's position could prove to be a steppingstone to positions of greater prominence, but she said that one thing that will probably never change is the place she calls her home.

"Northwest is my home; it's a nice fit for me," Widmer said. "It would take something awfully glamorous to take me away from here."

## All About Eve's new album tells a 'story'

STEVEN SHELTON  
Contributing Writer

The scene: you have had a fight with your boyfriend or girlfriend and you are feeling kind of depressed. Nostalgic. Maybe a little hopeful that things will



eventually work out. You just want to be alone, right? Well, one real good prescription to complement this mood is the new album by All About Eve titled, "Scarlet and Other Stories."

This album takes the group's lead singer, Julianne Regan, through a wide range of vocals, ranging from the driving "Tuesday's Child" to the dreamy and beautiful "The Empty Dancehall." From the start the album is a romantic retrospective. The first song, "Road to Your Soul," focuses on leaving behind a life of lies and handicapping pride. Regan's supple voice lends credibility to the song of heartbreak and new beginnings.

The album continues in this vein with "Dream Now," "Gold and Silver," and "Scarlet," which explore the ins and outs of love and breaking away from bad relationships. The first side ends

with the retrospective "December." Easily the best song on the album, "December" is a song which anyone who has ever thought of a lost love can identify with. Tim Bricheno's soft guitar helps add depth and could almost bring tears in and of itself.

The second side of the album is more upbeat, but never gets too far away from its serious theme. "Blind Lemon Sam" builds on the album's theme of women breaking away from "traditional" roles of depending on a man's support. This song tells the story of a woman who marries a man she totally depends on and is left unable to support herself when he dies.

Things pick up a little with the slide guitar and banjo on "More Than the Blues" and the thoughtful and yet upbeat "Tuesday's Child." The mood is sobered-up with the song titled, "The Empty Dancehall," as Regan tells of feeling used by love when a loved one dies.

"Scarlet and Other Stories" is a wonderfully romantic album for those who are hurting or have ever been hurt.

"Scarlet" does not falter in its ability to play on the emotions of almost any normal human being. It will be interesting to see if All About Eve will follow-up this effort as well in the future.

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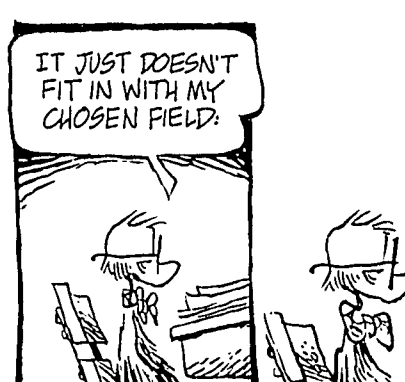
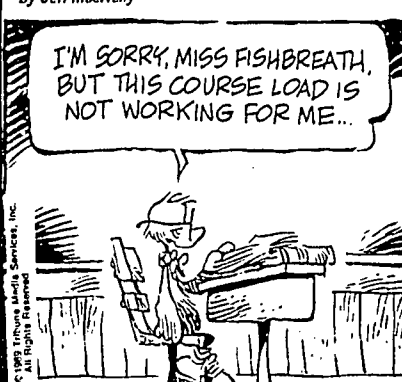
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# 'Cats win three straight

CARI PREWITT

Assistant Sports Editor

Northwest basketball is in full swing and the Bearcats have a 3-0 record and a tournament win under their belts already.

The season opened with the annual Ryland Milner Tournament, named for the former Bearcat coach.

The 'Cats matched up against Lindenwood College Friday, Nov. 17, in the evening game of the tournament.

"They were better than they've been in the past," Bearcat coach Steve Tappmeyer said. "They're not MIAA caliber, but against an inexperienced team they made us work."

Their work paid off, however, as Northwest defeated Lindenwood 87-54 and posted their first win of the season. But it wasn't until more than a third of the way into the first half that the 'Cats broke away.

Freshman Eric Wing hit a pair of three pointers to put Northwest up 19-13 and they held the lead for the remainder of the game.

"When you come out and hit your first two shots as a freshman, it shows that you're ready

to go. We see a lot of potential in him. There's more than shooting, but he's working on the other phases of the game," Tappmeyer added.

The championship game of the tournament put Northwest against Peru State Saturday night, Nov. 18. Peru State beat Grand View the night before to qualify for the championship game.

"We felt like they played well enough to beat us," Tappmeyer said. "They had five games under their belts and they were game ready and they had the details ironed out."

"We didn't put them away until four or five minutes left to go in the game. We had a group of kids that work hard against a team that we're better than."

"We were hitting the jumpers, causing some turn overs and after a while you can psych a team out. They were playing right along with us, but a few good spurts can break their back," he said.

The 'Cats put them away with a 69-51 score. Benji Burke was the leading scorer for the 'Cats with 15 points.

Not only did Northwest win

their own tournament, but 'Cat guard Burke was chosen Most Valuable Player of the tournament.

"Benji was coming out of practice really strong and he played great in the tournament. It's nice to see him get some recognition for the way he played, his assists and everything," Tappmeyer said.

The 'Cats ended their Thanksgiving break early and played Saturday at home against Arkansas Baptist. According to Tappmeyer, Northwest was trying to schedule an NCAA Division I school for the weekend but were not able to, but when they found that Arkansas Baptist had a free weekend, they scheduled, even though it was late.

However, the scheduling was not the only thing that was late. The Arkansas Baptist team was over an hour late for the game.

According to Tappmeyer, Arkansas Baptist left Little Rock late and he felt bad for the team and the fans.

"I was more frustrated than our team was. You'd think that it would be a disadvantage for us, but we got down to work. They played wild and out of control,"

Tappmeyer said.

The next home game for the Bearcats is Tuesday, Dec. 12, against Mid-America Nazarene.

Northwest traveled to Wayne, Nebraska, to take on Wayne State College last night.

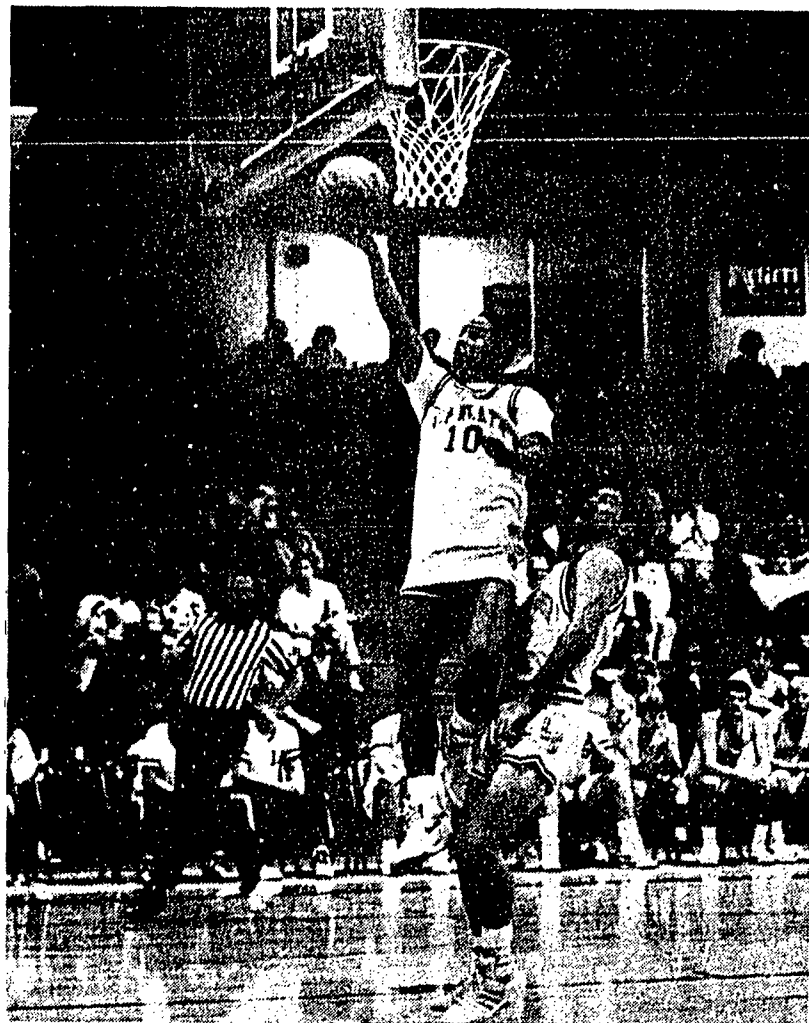
"It's always tough to play on the road," Tappmeyer said. "If we play well and win, we can gain some confidence for the road and this team will grow up a little bit."

Does Tappmeyer think that the non-conference schedule before the Christmas break deters from the motivation of the team?

"Actually I think it effects the motivation of the fans," Tappmeyer said. "The fact that we don't play any MIAA games before the break doesn't really effect our players."

"They are fired up and have a lot of enthusiasm, but I don't think there's as much enthusiasm in school about the basketball team as there was last year. There are some new faces this year, but our team is still going to be fun to watch," he said.

"We need to get back that reputation we had last year from our fans that you can't come into Lamkin and beat the Bearcats,"



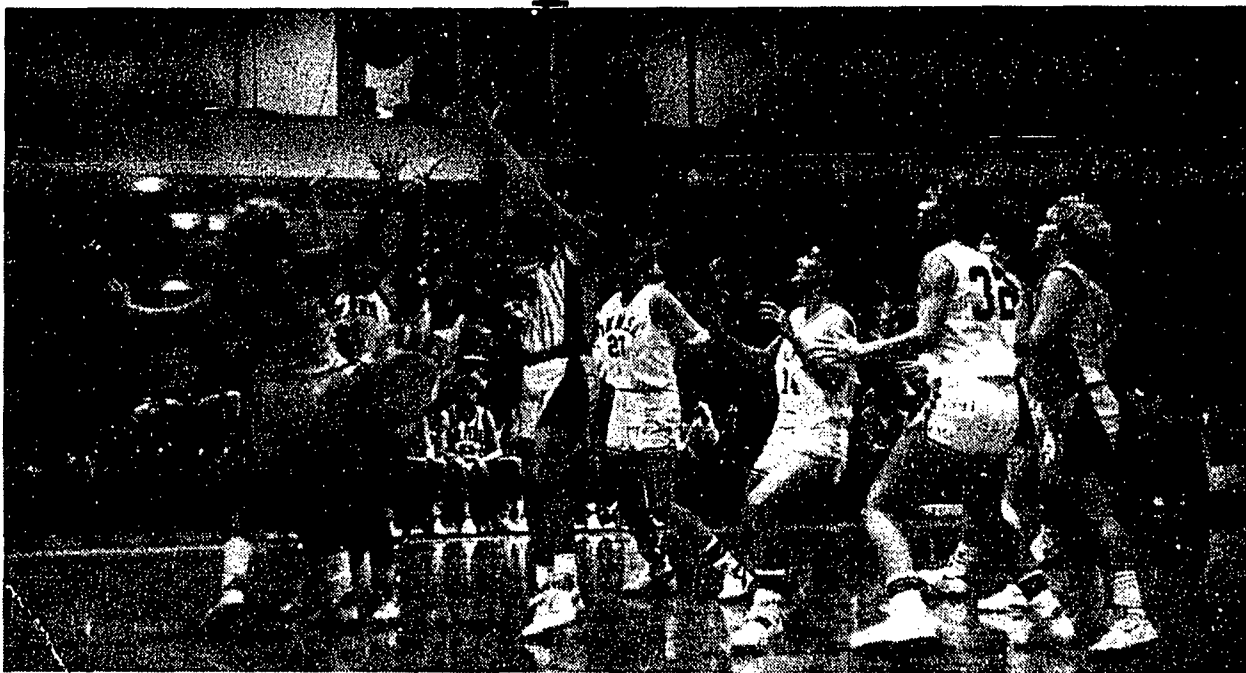
Lay It Up—Bearcat guard Benji Burke attempts a layup during the Ryland Milner Classic. Burke was the MVP of the classic won by the 'Cats. Photo by Scott Jensen.

Tappmeyer continued.

He needs to get back that reputation that we had last year from our

fans that you can't come in to Lamkin Gym and beat the Bearcats," Tappmeyer continued.

## Classic split moves 'Kittens record to 4-2



Take The Shot—The Bearkitten's Lisa Kenkel takes a shot during the Ryland Milner Classic Nov. 17. The 'Kittens won the

classic by defeating William Woods and William Penn. They won four of their first six games this season. Photo by Scott Jensen.

GENE MORRIS

Sports Editor

The Bearkitten basketball team moved its record to 4-2 by splitting games in the Washburn Classic over the weekend.

The Bearkittens lost their first game 80-55 at the hands of Washburn. The 'Kittens trailed Washburn 31-29 at the half. The second half of the contest was no contest as Washburn sank 53 percent of its shots, outscoring the 'Kittens 49-26.

Center Chris Swanson led the 'Kittens offensively with 11 points and nine rebounds in the contest. Forward Colleen Yost was the only other Bearkitten in double figures with 10 points and seven rebounds.

"We didn't play that bad in the Washburn game," women's coach Wayne Winstead said. "We played very well. The score didn't indicate the type of game we

played."

Winstead said the team let up for a couple of minutes in the second half and that really made the difference in the game. He mentioned that Washburn was a national tournament team last year and had several returning starters.

The Bearkittens bounced back from their previous defeat with an 82-66 victory over William Jewell. Danae Wagner scored 23 points to lead the team offensively. The 'Kittens had three other players in double figures as well.

Swanson had 19 points while Lisa Kenkel had 14 points. Sandy Nelson was in double figures with 10 points while also having 10 assists in the contest.

Winstead said he was pleased with the way the younger members on the team were playing. "Lisa Kenkel and Danae Wagner played really well for us and

they are both sophomores," he said.

During their first six games the Bearkittens have been outscored by their opponents 409 to 406, but they have out-rebounded their opponents 273 to 243.

The team's offense has been well-balanced this season with four starters averaging double figures. Kenkel has averaged 14.7 points per game, Swanson 13.8, Wagner 13.2 while Nelson has averaged 12 points during each contest.

The Bearkittens host Missouri Baptist Friday for a 7:30 p.m. contest in Lamkin.

Probable starters for the game are Swanson, Yost, Wagner, Nelson and Kenkel. The probable starters for Missouri Baptist are Geri Inman, Andrea Buggs, Kim young, Charlotta Smith and Debra Faulkner.

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SCOTT, We can't do that again.... can we? -Jenny

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### Friday, December 15

9:00, 9:30 or 9:35 Tuesday.....7:00 a.m.  
11:00 Monday.....9:20 a.m.  
Chem. 113, 115, 117, and Phys. Science 103, 183.....12:20 p.m.  
9:00 Monday.....2:40 p.m.  
History 155.....5:40 p.m.  
10:00 Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.

### Saturday, December 16

3:00 or 3:35 Tuesday.....7:00 a.m.  
3:00 Monday.....9:20 a.m.  
Speech 102.....12:20 p.m.  
12:00 Monday.....2:40 p.m.  
8:00 Monday.....5:40 p.m.

### Monday, December 18

10:00 Monday.....7:00 a.m.  
Biology 102.....9:20 a.m.  
1:00 Monday.....12:20 p.m.  
8:00 Tuesday.....2:40 p.m.  
Government 102.....5:40 p.m.  
4:00 Tuesday 8:00 p.m.

### Tuesday, December 19

Computer Science 130.....7:00 a.m.  
2:00 Monday.....9:20 a.m.  
12:00 Tuesday.....12:20 p.m.  
11:00 Tuesday.....2:40 p.m.  
1:00 Tuesday.....5:40 p.m.

Night classes will test on the following schedule at the usual class hour

Monday night classes.....Monday, December 18  
Tuesday night classes.....Tuesday, December 19  
Wednesday night classes.....Friday, December 15  
Thursday night classes.....Thursday, December 14



# Bearcat track member likes added challenge of hurdles

GENE MORRIS  
Sports Editor

Running for speed offers enough excitement for some people, but Northwest's accomplished hurdler Renwick Bovell needs more.

"I like the competition involved in the hurdles," Bovell said. "It's not all speed. You don't just go from start to finish by speed alone, but you have to perform another task while running fast."

Bovell said he was introduced to the sport by a friend in his junior year of high school.

"He showed me how to run the hurdles well," Bovell said. "He really got me interested in the sport and helped me improve."

Bovell has come a long way since his earlier high school years. He is considered by many to be a force to be reckoned with in the indoor and outdoor hurdles. He is expected to make his presence felt in the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

Bovell has set many goals for himself. Academically he said he would like to improve upon his current grade point average. As far as the hurdles go, he said he would like to qualify for the nationals.

He qualified for the national indoor high hurdles last year as a sophomore. He was also the individual champion in the 60-yard high hurdles at the MIAA Indoor Championships with a time of 7:55 seconds.

"I think Bo is going to have a very good year," Tom Lester, the track team's third-year graduate assistant said. "He used the fall season to get ready for the season. He has made himself faster and stronger."

Bovell describes himself as basically a nice person who is pretty easy to get along with. He said he is not an easy person to get mad, but mentioned that



Stretch It—Renwick Bovell does some stretching exercises during the Bearcat's track practice earlier this week. Bovell was the MIAA individual champion in the 60-yard high hurdles last

year with a time of 7:55 seconds. He says he likes the hurdles because the event offers more of a challenge than running primarily for speed does. Photo by JoAnn Bortner.

cheating is something that really upsets him.

"One thing that gets me mad is when someone cheats," Bovell said. "I don't like to be cheated. I just don't like people doing things the wrong way."

According to Lester, Bovell could be one of the top five hurdlers in the nation.

"He could be among the top hurdlers in the nation this year, but he is going to have to challenge himself to do it," Lester said. "He won't be able to get their by his natural ability alone. He is going to have to work for it."

Lester describes Bovell's work habits as average right now.

"He doesn't have to work as hard with his natural ability," he said. "He will really have to push himself to be an All-American though."

Lester said he uses two basic workouts to get the hurdlers ready for competition.

"One day we have long and hard workouts while on the other days we use short and quick ones," he said. "The practices are split between speed and endurance workouts."

Bovell said he really enjoys working with Lester.

"He is an easy person to work

with," Bovell said. "He is always there to talk to for any reason. We get along really well."

Bovell began taking some military science classes last year and is a member of Northwest's ROTC.

While he does not have much time balancing school track and the ROTC, Bovell said he likes to be with his friends to unwind.

He also said he just needs to be by himself to relax sometimes. Bovell mentioned that he especially like the time he is able to spend with his family.

When the indoor track season begins in January Bovell will be one of the hurdlers to watch.

# Time running out for competitive soccer in America

Gene Morris  
SPORTS EDITOR



The United States national soccer team ended a 40-year absence from World Cup play with 1-0 victory over Trinidad-Tabago in the Port of Spain Nov. 19.

The popularity of soccer in the U.S. has been on a gradual decline the past two decades with the folding of the National American Soccer League and the recent floundering of the Major Indoor Soccer League.

Maybe the victory by the national team will spark renewed interest in the U.S. soccer program. They had not qualified for the World Cup since 1950 when they surprised the entire world by defeating England 1-0.

Soccer in the U.S. had been laughable until the national team qualified this month. It is hard for me to understand how a nation as large as the U.S. could have missed making the World Cup for 40 consecutive years. I know the athletes are there somewhere.

Maybe baseball is to blame for the incompetence of the U.S. in soccer for the past few decades. It is no surprise that the top athletes pursue the most lucrative sports. American baseball players are motivated to reach their potential by the big bucks waiting for them in the major leagues.

What do the best soccer players have to look forward to?

All they can hope for is a chance to make a few bucks in the now deteriorating MISL. Sure, they can make a living at it, but not the kind of money

other sports offer.

Even the premiere golfers get more money than the best soccer players. It just does not seem right.

It seems like it was just yesterday when Pele was leading the New York Cosmos to another title. The NASL was at the height of its popularity then, but he retired from the league back in 1977 and the recognition of the NASL and American soccer as a whole has declined ever since.

Maybe the World Cup bid is "the Pele" the American soccer program has been waiting for. It could get more youths interested in representing the U.S. on the national soccer team.

Many people try to argue that the problem is not with the soccer program itself. They maintain that many top-notch college players are not able to make the team now so adding more to that number would only tend to complicate matters.

The more I hear that argument the more I have to laugh. I do not know if anyone really believes any of that, but if they do they are sadly mistaken.

If I was going to be coaching the national soccer team I would rather have 300 players try out for the team than 100. The more players that try out for the team, the better the chances are that the team will be a good one.

A strong showing in the World Cup next year can only help the U.S. soccer program. America is going to be hosting the World Cup in 1994. By doing something in the World Cup next year we might just be able to say we actually deserve to host it.

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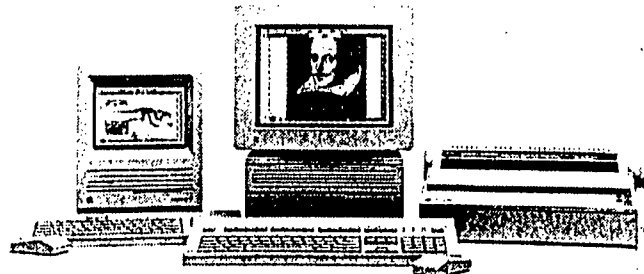
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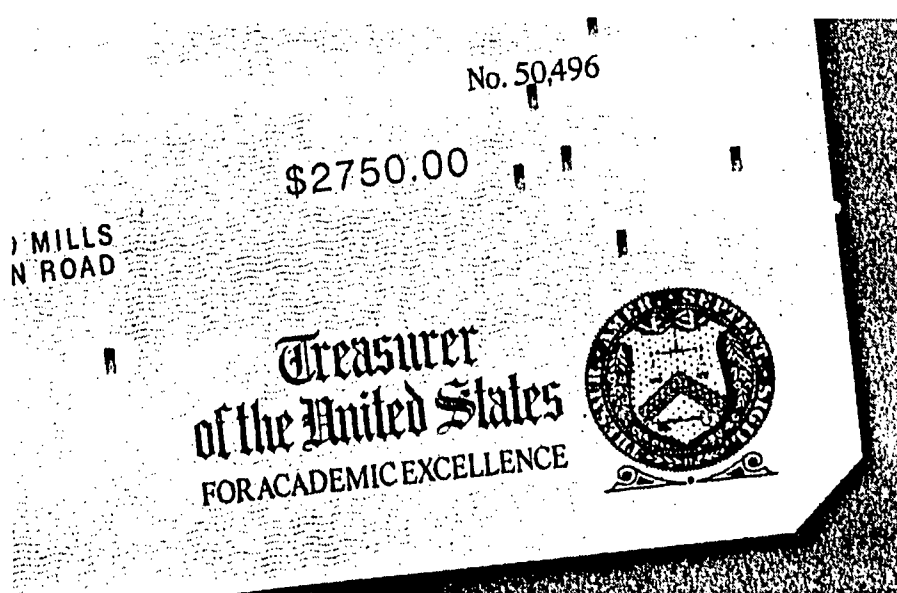
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